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Office Action Summary	Application No. UK 09/805,602	Applicant(s) SHAKERI ET AL.	
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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 01 September 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6, 11-21, 26-36 and 41-45 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 11-15, 26-36 and 41-45 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-6 and 16-21 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 13 March 2001 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☒ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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1. This office action, in response to the amendment filed 9/1/2005, is a non-final office action.

Response to Amendment

2. The indicated allowability of claims 1-6 and 16-21 is withdrawn in view of the newly discovered reference to Hindman et al (US 6,160,858). Rejections based on the newly cited reference follow.

Drawings

3. The drawings are objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a). The drawings must show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. Therefore, the mixer circuit mixing a de-spread sample with a coefficient must be shown or the features canceled from the claims. Paragraph 0098 discloses a mixer circuit 1130 mixes a demodulation sample from a passive correlator 230 with a coefficient from a look-up table 1120 but figure 11A does not show a signal from passive correlator 230 input to mixer circuit 1130. No new matter should be entered.
4. The drawings are objected to because the quadrature circuit 114 should be numbered 1334 according to paragraph 0098.

Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The figure or figure

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number of an amended drawing should not be labeled as "amended." If a drawing figure is to be canceled, the appropriate figure must be removed from the replacement sheet, and where necessary, the remaining figures must be renumbered and appropriate changes made to the brief description of the several views of the drawings for consistency. Additional replacement sheets may be necessary to show the renumbering of the remaining figures. Each drawing sheet submitted after the filing date of an application must be labeled in the top margin as either "Replacement Sheet" or "New Sheet" pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d). If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

Specification

5. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: In paragraph 0094, the mixer circuit 1110 should be mixer circuit 1130.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Objections

6. Claims 16 and 17 are objected to because of the following informalities: Claim 16, line 5 recites the limitation "the memory". This limitation lacks antecedent basis and should be changed to "a memory". Claim 17, line 2 recites the limitation "the first memory". This limitation lacks antecedent basis and should be changed to "the memory". Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

7. Claims 1-6 and 16-21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Hindman et al (US 6,160,858).

Regarding claims 1 and 16, Hindman discloses the apparatus and the method of using the apparatus shown in figure 7. Accumulators 780 and 790 store sums of mixer samples from mixers 215 and 235. The accumulators accumulate the outputs of the code mixers over an interval equal to one epoch then dump the result at the end of each epoch (column 13, lines 57-63). The mixer samples are stored in the appropriate locations of the accumulator registers (column 14, lines 56-61).

Regarding claims 2 and 17, the accumulators comprise registers and dump the samples from the mixers at the end of each epoch as stated above.

Regarding claims 3 and 18, the epoch interval is known in the receiver and sent to the accumulators.

Regarding claims 4 and 19, the epoch interval is known in the receiver and sent to the accumulators. The GPS signal processor controls the selection of one or more channels of a multi-channel GPS receiver (column 16, lines 38-42).

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Regarding claims 5 and 20, the receiver stores numerous samples from many channels (column 16, lines 38-42).

Regarding claims 6 and 21, the accumulation intervals are controlled by a data clock that is synchronized with the data bit intervals of the incoming signal data stream (column 4, lines 33-35).

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 11-15, 26-36 and 41-45 are allowed.

Conclusion


Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kevin M. Burd whose telephone number is (571) 272-3008. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 9 am - 5 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mohammad Ghayour can be reached on (571) 272-3021. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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